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SUBJECT: SPAIN INFORMED ABOUT SPECIALTY STEELS SOUGHT BY  
IRAN'S MISSILE PROGRAM (S)

REF: STATE 149612

Classified By: DCM HUGO LLORENS PER 1.4 (B/D)

(S) ESTHOFF passed reftel points January 12 to MFA Deputy Director General for Disarmament Affairs Ignacio Sanchez, urging Spain to use all available export control authorities to prevent Iran from procuring from Spanish firms two types of specialty steel that could be used in efforts to construct a new Medium Range Ballistic Missile. Sanchez said he would pass our information to the appropriate Spanish export control agencies at the next meeting of the Spanish inter-ministerial export control working group (which will next meet either January 18 or 19).  
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